SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION (Release No. 34-58467; File No. SR-NYSE-2008-77)

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; New York Stock Exchange LLC; Notice of Filing and Order Granting Accelerated Approval of Proposed Rule Change to Amend its Rule Governing Equity-Linked Debt Securities to Permit the Listing of Equity-Linked Debt Securities Linked to Baskets of up to Thirty Underlying Securities and to Provide for Greater Flexibility in Listing Criteria

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Exchange Act")¹ and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,² notice is hereby given that on August 26, 2008, New York Stock Exchange LLC ("NYSE" or "Exchange") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") the proposed rule change as described in Items I and II below, which Items have been prepared by the Exchange. The Commission is publishing this notice and order to solicit comments on the proposed rule change from interested persons and to approve the proposal on an accelerated basis.

I. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed</u> Rule Change

The Exchange proposes to amend Section 703.21 of the Exchange's Listed Company Manual (the "Manual") to permit the listing of Equity-Linked Debt Securities ("ELDS") related to up to thirty (30) underlying stocks and to provide for greater flexibility in the listing criteria for ELDS. The text of the proposed rule change is available at NYSE, www.nyse.com, and the Commission's Public Reference Room.

II. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change</u>

In its filing with the Commission, the self-regulatory organization included statements

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.